

God Reveals, Chapter 5:

Jesus and God's Kingdom Seen through the Synoptic Gospels

Textbook Video Supplements

1st Century Nazareth Village Comes to Life

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=CyDylyn-yRE>

Ch. 5 › Introduction (Understanding Matthew › Mark and Luke) › Which Synoptic Gospel Was Written First?

Life in Jesus's time recreated in a replica village

1. *What is most interesting to you about life in Jesus's time?*
2. *Why is it important to understand the cultural context of Jesus's ministry?*

The reason why 1 Gospel is not enough

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=a-7GF7HISNQ>

Ch. 5 › Section 1 (Individual Characteristics of the Synoptic Gospels)

Gives an analogy for how the four Gospels show different dimensions of the same Jesus so we can grasp his totality

1. *Why do the Gospels record different things about Jesus's life and ministry?*
2. *Which Gospel's presentation of Jesus do you most relate to?*
3. *What are some things you would like to know about Jesus that are not recorded?*

Why Do We Have Four Gospels?

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=gglXPM8syhl>

Ch. 5 › Section 1 (Individual Characteristics of the Synoptic Gospels)

Explains the focus, audience, and purpose of each Gospel

1. *What are some of your favorite Gospel stories about Jesus's life?*
2. *Why is it important not to use "one size fits all" evangelization or sharing of our faith?*

The Chosen scene: Jesus heals the paralytic

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=dIBOmQ1PaMY>

Ch. 5 › Section 3 (Jesus's Teachings, Pronouncements, and Miracles in the Synoptic Gospels) › Miracle Stories › Physical Healings

Clip from the hit show depicting the dramatic and emotional miracle

1. *How does this miracle make you feel?*
2. *Why is it so important to ask directly for healing?*
3. *What strikes you about Jesus's reaction to healing the paralytic? Why?*